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CRACK
HERE THEY ARE!!!
THE HAIR-RAISING ADVENTURES OF AMERICA'S MOST EXCITING KIDS... BOB BRANT AND HIS TROUBLE-SHOOTERS!
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"THE TARANTULA'S WEB!"
"THE MENACE OF THE FALSE FACE!"
ON SALE MONTHLY

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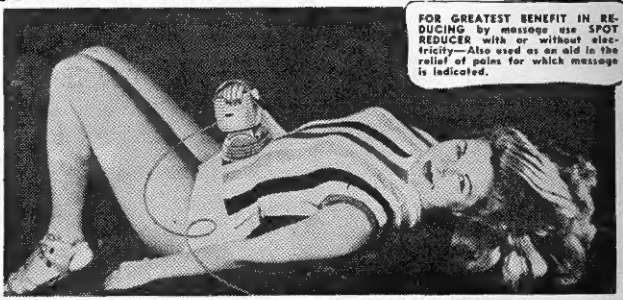

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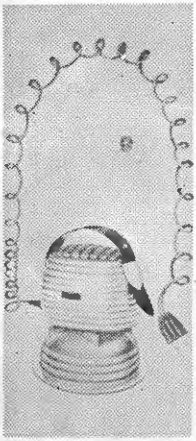

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BOB BRANT

AND THE TROUBLE-SHOOTERS!

STAND CLEAR, YOU FOOLS! THE FALSE FACE WILL TAKE CARE OF BOB BRANT AND HIS COMPANIONS!
"BEHIND THE FALSE FACE!"
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CARL HUBBELL
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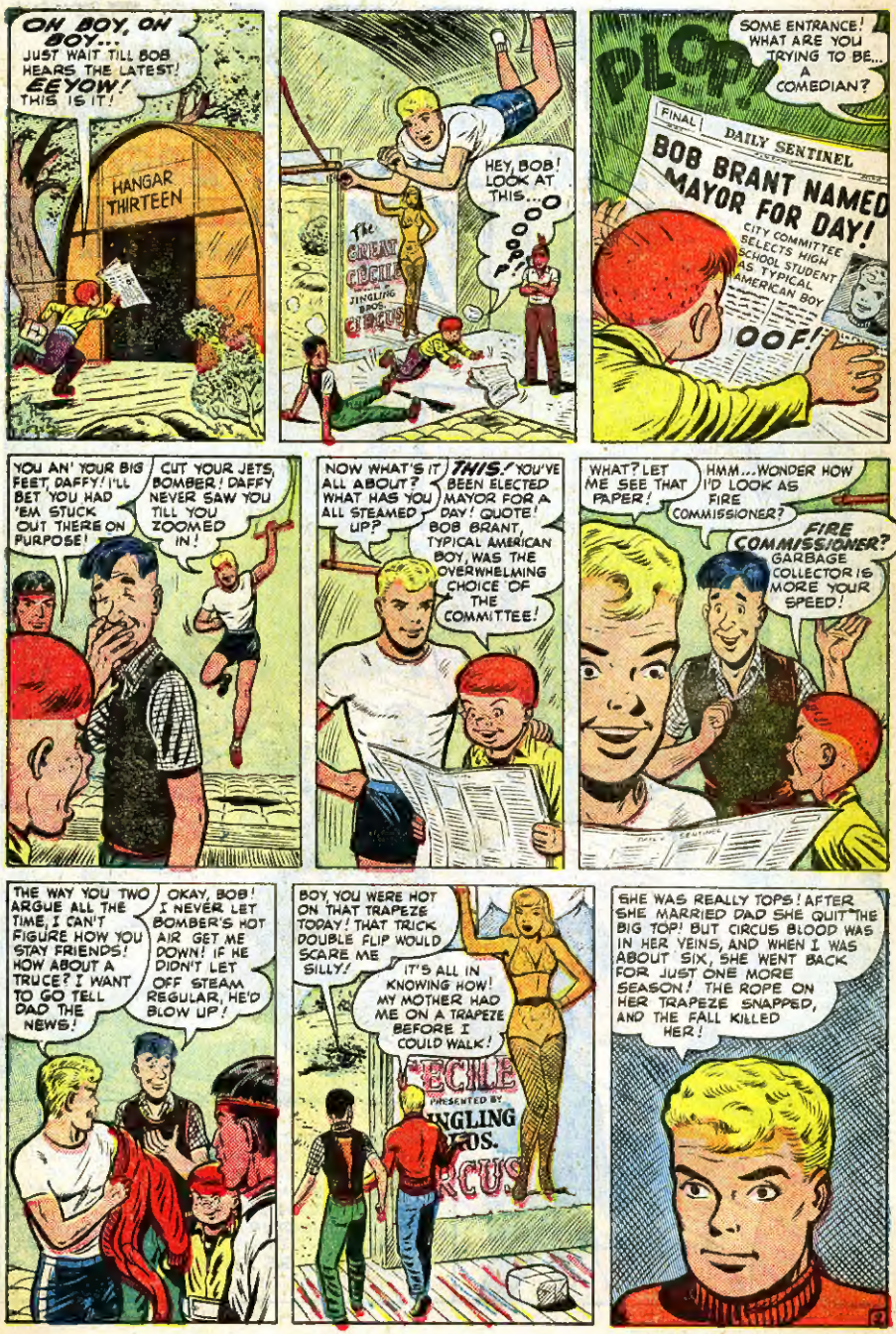
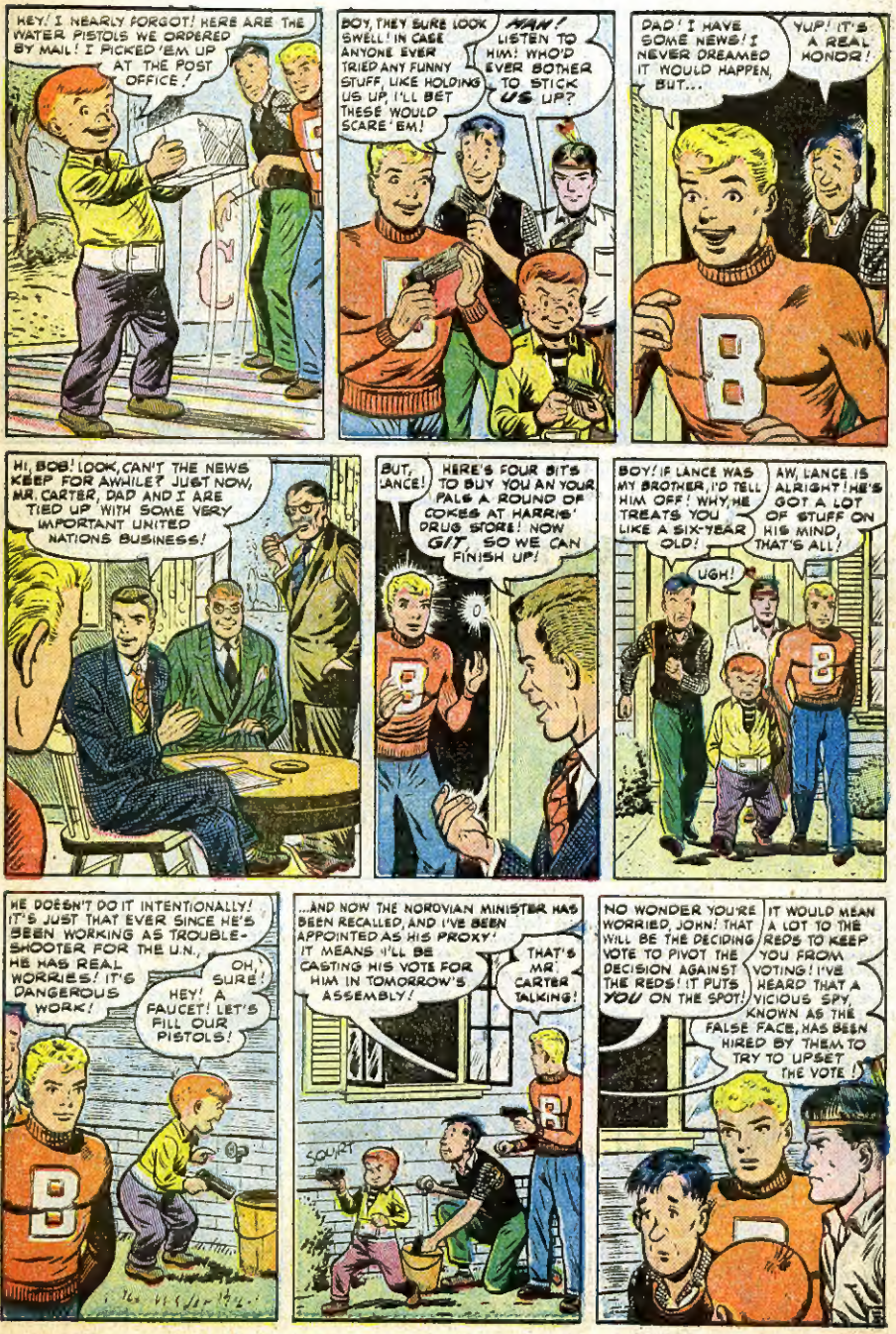
CAN YOU JUDGE A MAN'S CHARACTER BY HIS FACE? MOST OF US THINK WE CAN! BUT WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF YOU WERE MENACED BY A MAN WITH *TOO MANY FACES?* CAN BOB BRANT AND THE TROUBLE-SHOOTERS EVER FIND OUT THE *REAL* IDENTITY OF THE KILLER CALLED *"FALSE FACE"?*


OH BOY, OH BOY... JUST WAIT TILL BOB HEARS THE LATEST! EEYOW! THIS IS IT!
HANGAR THIRTEEN
HEY, BOB! LOOK AT THIS...
OOOOP!!
The GREAT CECILE
JINGLING BROS. CIRCUS
PLOP!
SOME ENTRANCE! WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO BE... A COMEDIAN?
FINAL
DAILY SENTINEL
BOB BRANT NAMED MAYOR FOR DAY!
CITY COMMITTEE SELECTS HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT AS TYPICAL AMERICAN BOY
OOF!
YOU AN' YOUR BIG FEET, DAFFY! I'LL BET YOU HAD 'EM STUCK OUT THERE ON PURPOSE!
CUT YOUR JETS, BOMBER! DAFFY NEVER SAW YOU TILL YOU ZOOMED IN!
NOW WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT? WHAT HAS YOU ALL STEAMED UP?
THIS! YOU'VE BEEN ELECTED MAYOR FOR A DAY! QUOTE! BOB BRANT, TYPICAL AMERICAN BOY, WAS THE OVERWHELMING CHOICE OF THE COMMITTEE!
WHAT? LET ME SEE THAT PAPER!
HMM... WONDER HOW I'D LOOK AS FIRE COMMISSIONER?
FIRE COMMISSIONER? GARBAGE COLLECTOR IS MORE YOUR SPEED!
THE WAY YOU TWO ARGUE ALL THE TIME, I CAN'T FIGURE HOW YOU STAY FRIENDS! HOW ABOUT A TRUCE? I WANT TO GO TELL DAD THE NEWS!
OKAY, BOB! I NEVER LET BOMBER'S HOT AIR GET ME DOWN! IF HE DIDN'T LET OFF STEAM REGULAR, HE'D BLOW UP!
BOY, YOU WERE HOT ON THAT TRAPEZE TODAY! THAT TRICK DOUBLE FLIP WOULD SCARE ME SILLY!
IT'S ALL IN KNOWING HOW! MY MOTHER HAD ME ON A TRAPEZE BEFORE I COULD WALK!
ECILE
PRESENTED BY
NGLING
OS.
RCUS
SHE WAS REALLY TOPS! AFTER SHE MARRIED DAD SHE QUIT THE BIG TOP! BUT CIRCUS BLOOD WAS IN HER VEINS, AND WHEN I WAS ABOUT SIX, SHE WENT BACK FOR JUST ONE MORE SEASON! THE ROPE ON HER TRAPEZE SNAPPED, AND THE FALL KILLED HER!


HEY! I NEARLY FORGOT! HERE ARE THE WATER PISTOLS WE ORDERED BY MAIL! I PICKED 'EM UP AT THE POST OFFICE!
BOY, THEY SURE LOOK SWELL! IN CASE ANYONE EVER TRIED ANY FUNNY STUFF, LIKE HOLDING US UP, I'LL BET THESE WOULD SCARE 'EM!
AAAH! LISTEN TO HIM! WHO'D EVER BOTHER TO STICK US UP?
DAD! I HAVE SOME NEWS! I NEVER DREAMED IT WOULD HAPPEN, BUT...
YUP! IT'S A REAL HONOR!
HI, BOB! LOOK, CAN'T THE NEWS KEEP FOR AWHILE? JUST NOW, MR. CARTER, DAD AND I ARE TIED UP WITH SOME VERY IMPORTANT UNITED NATIONS BUSINESS!
BUT, LANCE!
HERE'S FOUR BIT'S TO BUY YOU AN YOUR PALS A ROUND OF COKES AT HARRIS' DRUG STORE! NOW GIT, SO WE CAN FINISH UP!
BOY! IF LANCE WAS MY BROTHER, I'D TELL HIM OFF! WHY, HE TREATS YOU LIKE A SIX-YEAR OLD!
AW, LANCE IS ALRIGHT! HE'S GOT A LOT OF STUFF ON HIS MIND, THAT'S ALL!
UGH!
HE DOESN'T DO IT INTENTIONALLY! IT'S JUST THAT EVER SINCE HE'S BEEN WORKING AS TROUBLE-SHOOTER FOR THE U.N., HE HAS REAL WORRIES! IT'S DANGEROUS WORK!
OH, SURE! HEY! A FAUCET! LET'S FILL OUR PISTOLS!
...AND NOW THE NOROVIAN MINISTER HAS BEEN RECALLED, AND I'VE BEEN APPOINTED AS HIS PROXY! IT MEANS I'LL BE CASTING HIS VOTE FOR HIM IN TOMORROW'S ASSEMBLY!
THAT'S MR. CARTER TALKING!
SQUIRT
NO WONDER YOU'RE WORRIED, JOHN! THAT WILL BE THE DECIDING VOTE TO PIVOT THE DECISION AGAINST THE REDS! IT PUTS YOU ON THE SPOT!
IT WOULD MEAN A LOT TO THE REDS TO KEEP YOU FROM VOTING! I'VE HEARD THAT A VICIOUS SPY, KNOWN AS THE FALSE FACE, HAS BEEN HIRED BY THEM TO TRY TO UPSET THE VOTE!

IT MIGHT BE WISE TO TAKE PRECAUTIONS! WE COULD ASSIGN YOU A BODY-GUARD!
NONSENSE! I'M WORRIED
BUT NOT THAT WORRIED! THEY WOULDN'T DARE ATTEMPT BODILY VIOLENCE! THANKS JUST THE SAME!
AW, HERE COME THOSE DAMES AGAIN!
HI, DAFFY! HOW'RE YOU DOING?
AS USUAL, BESS! HI, CAROL!
HAVE ANY OF YOU SEEN MY FATHER?
HE'S IN WITH DAD, CAROL! SAY, WILL YOU BE BUSY TOMORROW? IF YOU AREN'T, HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO...
SORRY, BOB! BUT I'VE ASKED BESS OVER TOMORROW TO SPEND THE DAY!
CAROL CARTER! WHY ON EARTH DID YOU FREEZE OUT BOB LIKE THAT? YOU DIDN'T EVEN WAIT TO HEAR WHAT HE HAD TO SAY!
OH, BESS! HE'S JUST A...A KID! AT LEAST COMPARED TO... SIGH... LANCE!
AW, BOB, YOU STILL MOPING ABOUT CAROL? YOU'LL NEVER CATCH ME GETTING SLAP HAPPY OVER SOME DOPEY SKIRT!
IT'S TOUGH, OL' PAL! YOU JUST DON'T HAVE APPEAL...LIKE ME! CAROL WON'T GIVE YOU A TUMBLE, BUT I PRACTICALLY HAVE TO SHOO BESS OFF!
HUH? OH, FORGET IT! I WAS THINKING ABOUT TOMORROW! LISTEN, YOU GUYS... MEET ME OUTSIDE CITY HALL IN THE MORNING! I'LL NEED MORAL SUPPORT!
YES, YOUR HONOR! WHO KNOWS? THIS DAY MAY GO DOWN IN NYS-TOR-EE!
AND IN THE CITY, AT A WATERFRONT WAREHOUSE...
I WONDER WHO FALSE FACE REALLY IS! YA SUPPOSE ANYONE HAS SEEN HIS FACE.. HIS REAL FACE, I MEAN?
IF THEY HAVE, THEY HAVEN'T LIVED TO TELL ABOUT IT, BUGS! I WOULDN'T SUGGEST THINKING ABOUT IT!
S-SURE, FALSE FACE! WE KNOW! WE DIDN'T MEAN ANYTHING!
GOOD! JUST DON'T FORGET IT! YOU MAY SEE A THOUSAND FALSE FACES, BUT NEVER THE REAL ONE!
MY FACE, YOU MIGHT SAY, IS MY FORTUNE! AND...I GUARD IT WELL! HA! HA! HA!
HA...HA...
HE GIVES ME DA CREEPS! IF IT WEREN'T FER THE DOUGH, I'D SOONER BE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH A RATTLESNAKE!
HUH! HUH!
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NOW LISTEN, ALL OF YOU! HAVE YOU SEEN THIS ARTICLE?
YOU...YOU MEAN ABOUT THAT BRANT KID BEIN' MAYOR FOR A DAY? WHAT'S THAT GOT TO DO WITH US?
A COOL HALF MILLION, YOU FOOL! THAT'S WHAT CERTAIN ENEMIES OF DEMOCRACY WILL PAY US TO KIDNAP ONE OF THE U.N. DELEGATES SO HE CANNOT VOTE TOMORROW! WITH A HALF-BAKED KID AS MAYOR, IT WILL BE EASY TO GET CONTROL OF CITY HALL LONG ENOUGH TO ATTEND TO EVERYTHING!
WHAT DID YOUR DAD SAY WHEN YOU TOLD HIM ABOUT BEING MAYOR FOR THE DAY?
HE STILL DOESN'T KNOW! SOMETHING IN CONNECTION WITH THE U.N. CAME UP AND AS HEAD OF THE U.N. SECURITY POLICE, HE HAD TO LEAVE BEFORE I HAD A CHANCE TO TELL HIM!
CITY HALL
THE JOB OF MAYOR IS YOURS FOR THE DAY, YOUNG MAN! THE ENTIRE CITY ORGANIZATION IS AT YOUR DISPOSAL! I HAVE FULL CONFIDENCE YOU WILL USE YOUR AUTHORITY WISELY! GOOD LUCK!
YES, SIR! THANKS, MR. MAYOR!
Y'KNOW, IT WOULD MAKE A REAL HOT FEATURE IF SOMETHING BIG HAPPENED WHILE THAT KID WAS IN OFFICE!
NOT A CHANCE! I'VE COVERED THESE BOY MAYOR DAYS FOR EIGHT YEARS! IT'S ALWAYS STRICTLY ROUTINE STUFF!
BOY'O'BOY! I WONDER WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF I PRESSED ALL THESE BUTTONS?
HMM...LET'S SEE... WHO DO I KNOW IN CALIFORNIA?
C'MON, GUYS, CUT OUT THE CLOWNING, FOR PETE'S SAKE!
REACH, KIDS! AND DON'T TRY ANY BOY HERO STUFF, UNLESS YOU WANT TO BE DEAD HEROES!
HUH? GOSH, THESE GUYS AREN'T KIDDING! THOSE ARE REAL GUNS!
OKAY, MAYOR! GET ON THAT PHONE AND CALL THE POLICE COMMISSIONER AND TELL HIM TO SEND OUT EVERY COP HE HAS TO THE EAST END DOCKS! TELL HIM IT'S A GANG WAR! MAKE IT GOOD, UNLESS YOU WANT TO SEE YOUR PALS DIE!
NO! DON'T DO IT, BOB!
I...HAVEN'T MUCH CHOICE, BOMBER! HELLO... COMMISSIONER? THIS IS BOB BRANT, ACTING MAYOR! I WANT YOU TO SEND EVERY AVAILABLE MAN TO THE EAST END DOCKS ON A RIOT CALL! THIS IS URGENT...

AFTER WE TIE UP THESE BRATS, WE'LL CUT THE TELEPHONE LINES ON OUR WAY OUT! THAT OUGHTTA GIVE FALSE FACE PLENTY OF TIME TO KIDNAP OLD MAN CARTER BEFORE ANY ALARM GOES OUT!
FALSE FACE! THEN LANCE WAS RIGHT! I'VE GOT TO DO SOMETHING!
GET YOUR HANDS BACK OF YOU, YOU DUMB BUNNY!
LET'S UFF-BLAY THESE OOKS-CRAY WITH THE ATER-WAY ISTOLE-PAY! GET IT?
SWA
HEY! WHAT'S DAT CHATTER? FRENCH OR SOMETHIN'?
NOW IT'S OUR TURN! DON'T REACH FOR YOUR GUNS OR WE'LL SHOOT!
DA KIDS HAVE RODS! B-BE CAREFUL WITH THOSE THINGS!
THERE STILL MAY BE TIME TO GET THRU TO THE POLICE! IF THEY TRY TO ESCAPE, DON'T HESITATE TO SHOOT!
ONE FALSE MOVE AN' WE'LL LIQUIDATE 'EM ... AND I MEAN LIQUIDATE!
REUBEN! NO!
HEY! WATCH OUT! DAT MIGHT GO.. BLUB!
WATER PISTOLS! WE BEEN TRICKED! GRAB THE CRUMMY LITTLE PUNKS!
QUICK... LET'S GET OUT OF HERE!
COME HERE, YOU LITTLE.. OOF!
THUD
SPLAT!
WHAM
THEY SAID THE FALSE FACE! ISN'T THAT THE GUY LANCE MENTIONED LAST NIGHT?
YES! THAT'S WHY WE'VE GOT TO WARN MR. CARTER BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE! THIS IS NO ORDINARY KIDNAPING!
IT'S A PLOT TO WRECK THE U.N.! AM I GLAD I BROUGHT MY CAR! HANG ON!
HOW YOU CAN CALL THIS FOUR-WHEELED THING A CAR, BEATS ME! WE'D PROBABLY MAKE BETTER TIME RUNNING!
UGH! CRAWLING!

WE'RE TOO LATE! THEY'VE GOT HIM ALREADY!
OMIGOSH! WHAT IF THEY'VE KIDNAPED BESS AND CAROL, TOO! DON'T LET 'EM OUT OF YOUR SIGHT! WE'VE GOT TO SAVE THEM!
FIRST TIME I EVER APPRECIATED TRAFFIC LIGHTS!
RIGHT... TURN LEFT... NOW RIGHT DOWN THAT ALLEY, BOB! WHEW! WE'RE LUCKY THEY DIDN'T HEAD FOR OPEN COUNTRY!
GEE, WHAT FUNNY-LOOKING BUILDINGS!
WE'RE IN CHINATOWN, YOU BIG NUT!
IT'S A DEAD END STREET! SO THEY MUST HAVE PULLED INTO THAT WAREHOUSE! BUT WHAT CHANCE DO WE HAVE TO GET PAST ALL THOSE GUARDS?
SINCE IT IS EVIDENT WE CANNOT BOLDLY ENTER THE WAREHOUSE, I PROPOSE ONE OF US GAINS ENTRANCE WITHOUT BEING SEEN, AND THEN CREATES A DISTURBANCE WHICH WILL DRAW THE GUARDS INSIDE! THEREUPON, THE REST OF US MAY ENTER WITHOUT UNDUE HARDSHIP!
WOW! DID YOU SAY A MOUTHFUL, FEATHERS!
YOU SEE THAT SIGN ACROSS THE STREET! I THINK I COULD SWING FROM THE TOP OF IT ACROSS TO THAT CRANE ON TOP OF THE WAREHOUSE! I CAN GET INSIDE THRU THE ROOF!
NO, BOB! YOU'LL KILL YOURSELF!
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YIPE!
YIPP
REUBEN! WHAT IS THE MATTER? WHAT IS THAT STUFF ON YOUR PAWS? OH, OH! CHINESE MUSTARD! THAT BURNS LIKE BLAZES! LET'S LOAD OUR PISTOLS WITH IT!
HE WOULDN'T LISTEN... IT'S A FANTASTIC DISTANCE TO CLEAR!
HE SURE DOESN'T BELIEVE IN SIGNS!
UGH!
I CAN'T WATCH! W-WHAT IF HE MISSES?
THERE HE GOES... HE'S REACHING... REACHING...
BE CAREFUL! DON'T TAKE CHANCES! LITTLE SLIP MEAN AN CCIDENT! ACCIDENT & INSURANCE CO.
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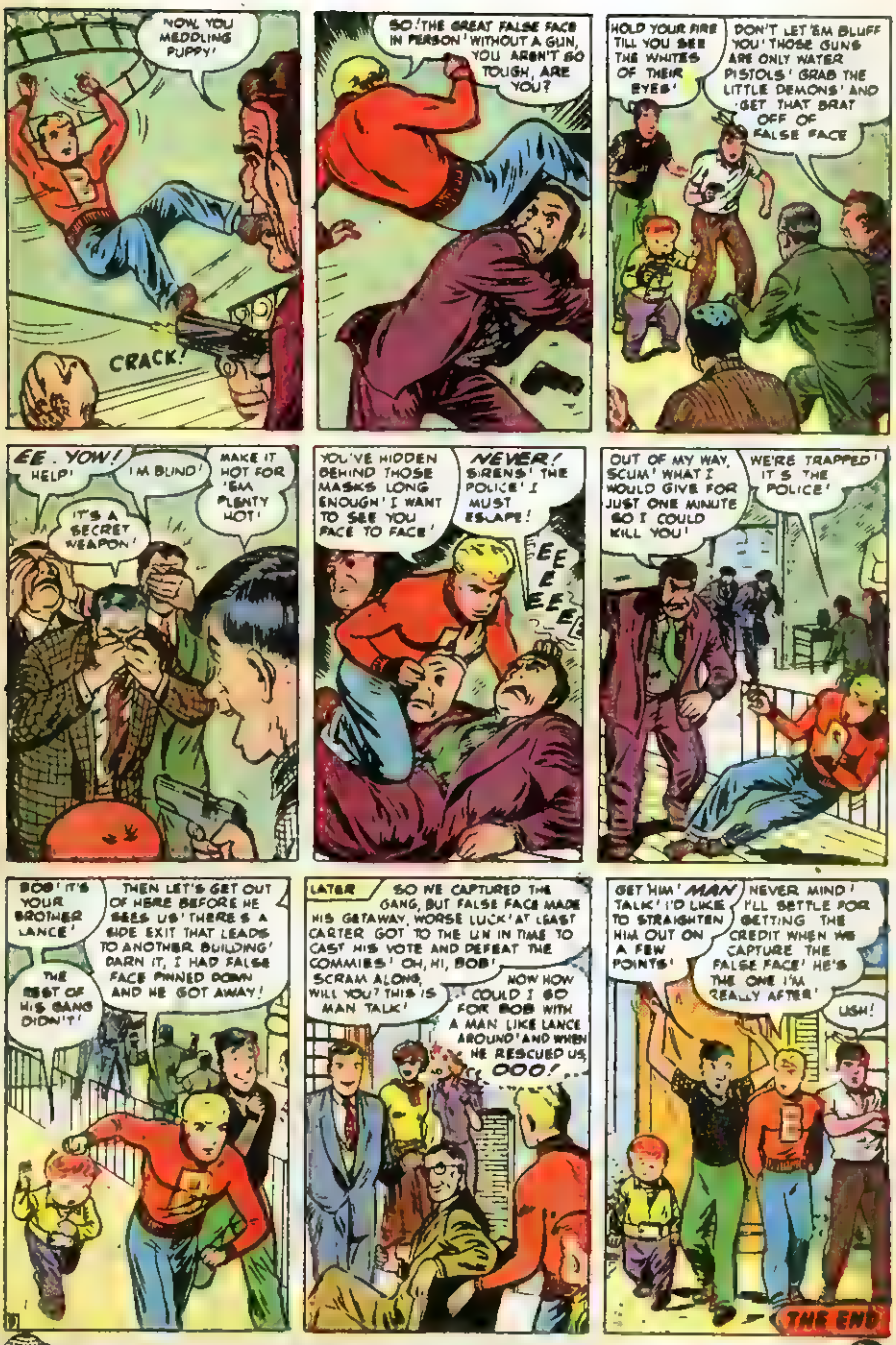
WHEW! HE MADE IT!
OHH! I'VE AGED A HUNDRED YEARS!
I'VE GOT TO GET THE OTHER FELLOWS IN SOMEHOW! OH, OH... VOICES!
WE'LL JUST KEEP YOU HERE UNTIL THE VOTING AT THE SPECIAL SESSION IS OVER, CARTER! THE COMMUNISTS WILL WIN AND PAY ME WELL FOR DETAINING YOU!
THIS MUST'VE BEEN AN OLD TONG MANSION! I'VE GOT TO GET THOSE GUARDS INSIDE SOMEHOW! WELL, THE ONLY WAY IS THE DIRECT WAY!
YAH! SOME GUARDS YOU ARE! I COULD STEAL THE PLACE OUT FROM UNDER YOU! BET YOU CAN'T EVEN CATCH ME!
IT'S THAT BRANT KID! GRAB 'IM BEFORE THE FALSE FACE DISCOVERS WE LET HIM GET PAST US!
THE CLOSER THE CHASE THE BETTER I LIKE IT! COME ON! I'LL GIVE YOU A FAIR CHANCE!
DON'T SHOOT! WE CAN'T AFFORD TO RISK BRINGING THE COPS DOWN ON US!
WE'RE WITH YOU, BOB! C'MON, GUYS, LET'S FINISH THIS FIGHT!
YUP! WE HAD TO WALK OUT ON THE FIRST ONE!
YOU FOOLS! YOU IDIOTS! I SHOULD KILL YOU ALL FOR LETTING THESE BRATS OUTWIT YOU! I'LL SHOW YOU HOW TO HANDLE THEM!
IT'S THE FALSE FACE!
HE'S GOT A GUN!


NOW, YOU MEDDLING PUPPY!
CRACK!
SO! THE GREAT FALSE FACE IN PERSON! WITHOUT A GUN, YOU AREN'T SO TOUGH, ARE YOU?
HOLD YOUR FIRE TILL YOU SEE THE WHITES OF THEIR EYES!
DON'T LET 'EM BLUFF YOU! THOSE GUNS ARE ONLY WATER PISTOLS! GRAB THE LITTLE DEMONS! AND GET THAT BRAT OFF OF FALSE FACE
EE . YOW! HELP!
I'M BLIND!
MAKE IT HOT FOR 'EM PLENTY HOT!
IT'S A SECRET WEAPON!
YOU'VE HIDDEN BEHIND THOSE MASKS LONG ENOUGH! I WANT TO SEE YOU FACE TO FACE!
NEVER! SIRENS! THE POLICE! I MUST ESCAPE!
EEEEEE
OUT OF MY WAY, SCUM! WHAT I WOULD GIVE FOR JUST ONE MINUTE SO I COULD KILL YOU!
WE'RE TRAPPED! IT'S THE POLICE!
BOB! IT'S YOUR BROTHER LANCE!
THEN LET'S GET OUT OF HERE BEFORE HE SEES US! THERE'S A SIDE EXIT THAT LEADS TO ANOTHER BUILDING! DARN IT, I HAD FALSE FACE PINNED DOWN AND HE GOT AWAY!
THE REST OF HIS GANG DIDN'T!
LATER
SO WE CAPTURED THE GANG, BUT FALSE FACE MADE HIS GETAWAY. WORSE LUCK! AT LEAST CARTER GOT TO THE U.N. IN TIME TO CAST HIS VOTE AND DEFEAT THE COMMIES! OH, HI, BOB! SCRAM ALONG, WILL YOU? THIS IS MAN TALK!
NOW HOW COULD I GO FOR BOB WITH A MAN LIKE LANCE AROUND! AND WHEN HE RESCUED US, OOO!
GET 'IM! MAN TALK! I'D LIKE TO STRAIGHTEN HIM OUT ON A FEW POINTS!
NEVER MIND! I'LL SETTLE FOR GETTING THE CREDIT WHEN WE CAPTURE THE FALSE FACE! HE'S THE ONE I'M REALLY AFTER!
USH!
THE END

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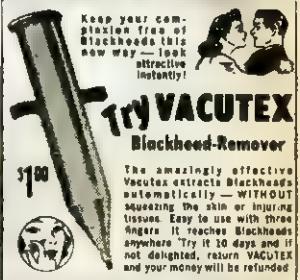

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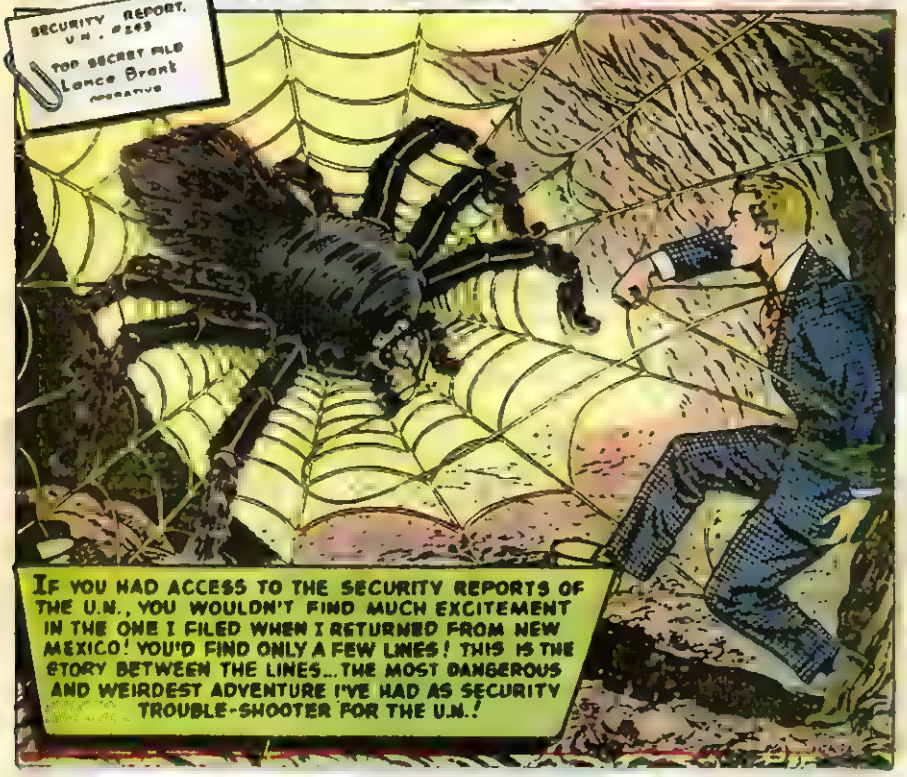
SECURITY REPORT, U.N. #243
TOP SECRET FILE
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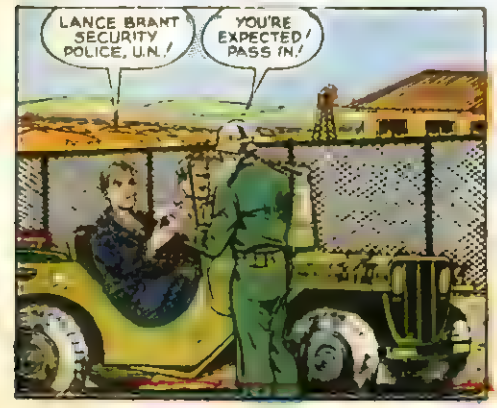
IF YOU HAD ACCESS TO THE SECURITY REPORTS OF THE U.N., YOU WOULDN'T FIND MUCH EXCITEMENT IN THE ONE I FILED WHEN I RETURNED FROM NEW MEXICO! YOU'D FIND ONLY A FEW LINES! THIS IS THE STORY BETWEEN THE LINES... THE MOST DANGEROUS AND WEIRDEST ADVENTURE I'VE HAD AS SECURITY TROUBLE-SHOOTER FOR THE U.N.!


IT BEGAN, AS MOST DANGEROUS EVENTS DO, SIMPLY! I WAS SENT TO THE "H" BOMB PROJECT IN NEW MEXICO
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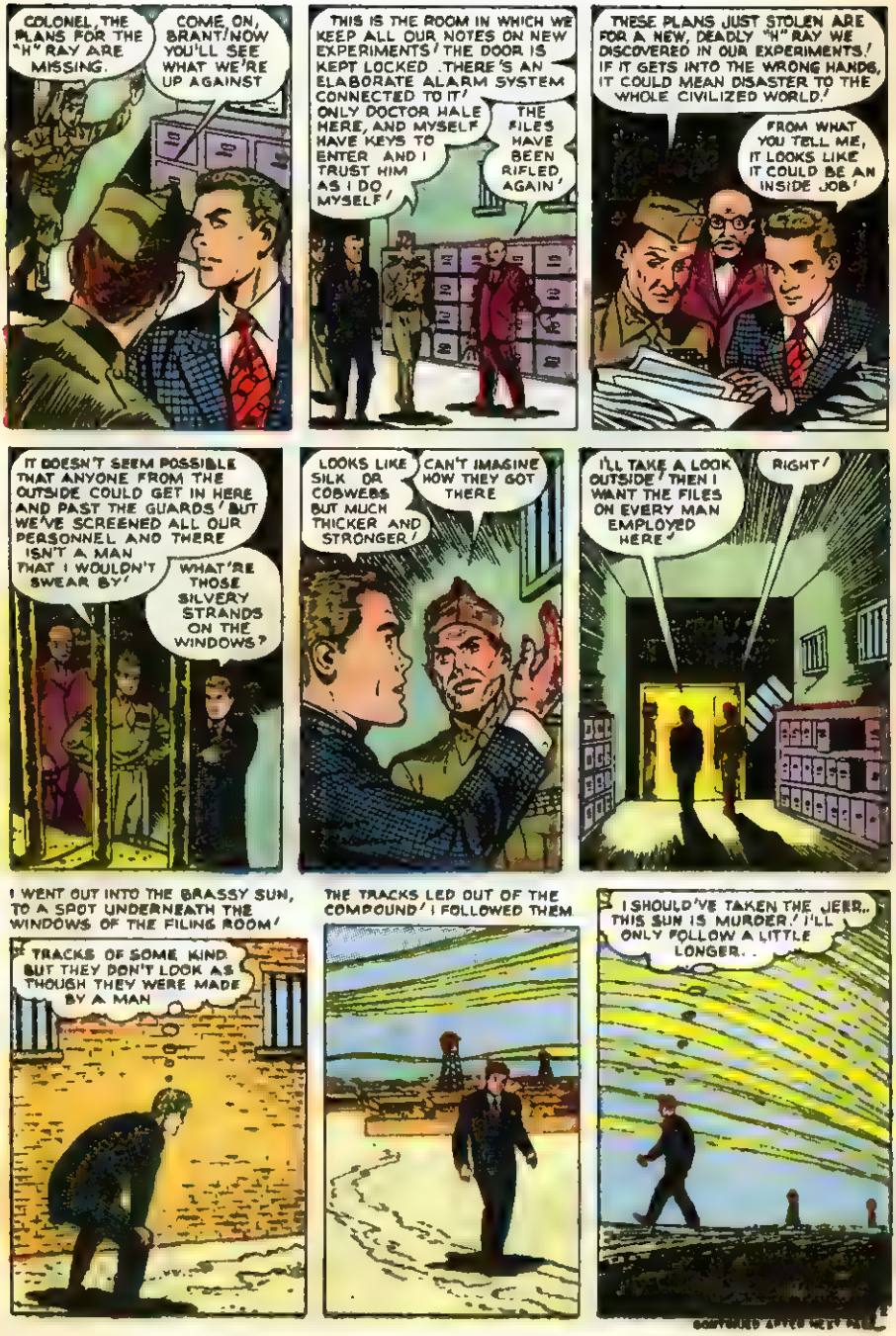
YOU'RE EXPECTED! PASS IN!

IN A FEW MINUTES I FACED COL. WHITNEY, A SOLDIER AND A SCIENTIST, IN CHARGE OF THE PROJECT!
I'M GLAD YOU'RE HERE, BRANT... AND I HOPE YOU CAN HELP US! FRANKLY, THE THING HAS US PUZZLED!
I'VE BEEN BRIEFED ON THE TROUBLE HERE, BUT I'D LIKE TO GET IT FIRST-HAND FROM YOU! WITH ANY IMPRESSIONS OR IDEAS YOU MAY HAVE!


COLONEL, THE PLANS FOR THE "H" RAY ARE MISSING.
COME ON, BRANT! NOW YOU'LL SEE WHAT WE'RE UP AGAINST
THIS IS THE ROOM IN WHICH WE KEEP ALL OUR NOTES ON NEW EXPERIMENTS! THE DOOR IS KEPT LOCKED. THERE'S AN ELABORATE ALARM SYSTEM CONNECTED TO IT! ONLY DOCTOR HALE HERE, AND MYSELF HAVE KEYS TO ENTER AND I TRUST HIM AS I DO MYSELF!
THE FILES HAVE BEEN RIFLED AGAIN!
THESE PLANS JUST STOLEN ARE FOR A NEW, DEADLY "H" RAY WE DISCOVERED IN OUR EXPERIMENTS! IF IT GETS INTO THE WRONG HANDS, IT COULD MEAN DISASTER TO THE WHOLE CIVILIZED WORLD!
FROM WHAT YOU TELL ME, IT LOOKS LIKE IT COULD BE AN INSIDE JOB!
IT DOESN'T SEEM POSSIBLE THAT ANYONE FROM THE OUTSIDE COULD GET IN HERE AND PAST THE GUARDS! BUT WE'VE SCREENED ALL OUR PERSONNEL AND THERE ISN'T A MAN THAT I WOULDN'T SWEAR BY!
WHAT'RE THOSE SILVERY STRANDS ON THE WINDOWS?
LOOKS LIKE SILK OR COBWEBS BUT MUCH THICKER AND STRONGER!
CAN'T IMAGINE HOW THEY GOT THERE
I'LL TAKE A LOOK OUTSIDE! THEN I WANT THE FILES ON EVERY MAN EMPLOYED HERE!
RIGHT!
I WENT OUT INTO THE BRASSY SUN, TO A SPOT UNDERNEATH THE WINDOWS OF THE FILING ROOM!
TRACKS OF SOME KIND, BUT THEY DON'T LOOK AS THOUGH THEY WERE MADE BY A MAN
THE TRACKS LED OUT OF THE COMPOUND! I FOLLOWED THEM.
I SHOULD'VE TAKEN THE JEEP.. THIS SUN IS MURDER! I'LL ONLY FOLLOW A LITTLE LONGER. . .

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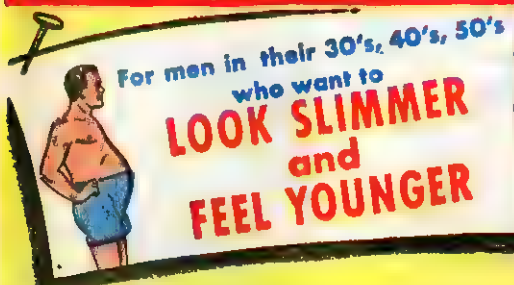

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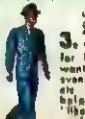

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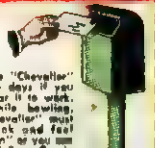

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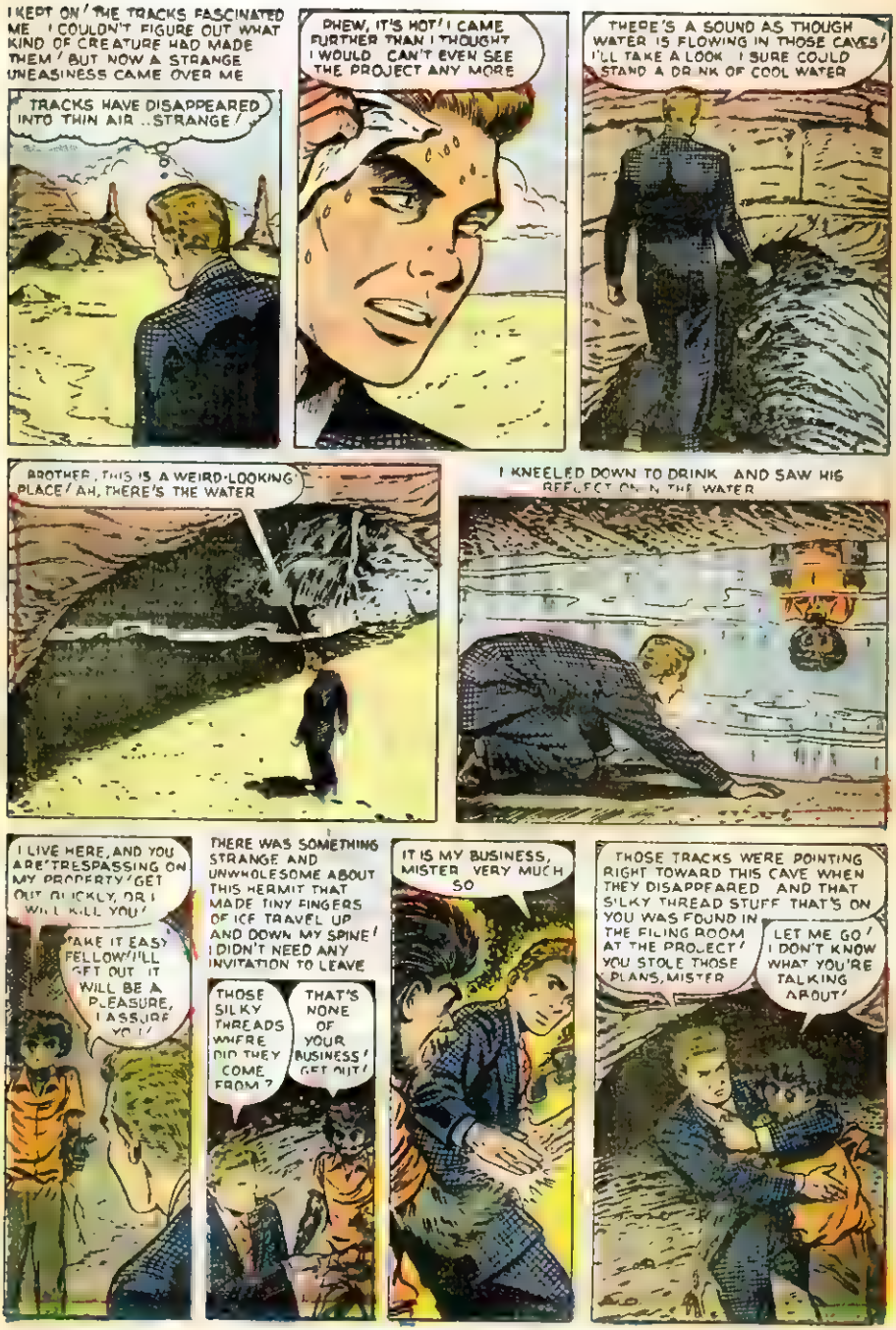

I KEPT ON / THE TRACKS FASCINATED ME I COULDN'T FIGURE OUT WHAT KIND OF CREATURE HAD MADE THEM / BUT NOW A STRANGE UNEASINESS CAME OVER ME
TRACKS HAVE DISAPPEARED INTO THIN AIR ..STRANGE /
PHEW, IT'S HOT / I CAME FURTHER THAN I THOUGHT I WOULD CAN'T EVEN SEE THE PROJECT ANY MORE
THERE'S A SOUND AS THOUGH WATER IS FLOWING IN THOSE CAVES / I'LL TAKE A LOOK I SURE COULD STAND A DRINK OF COOL WATER
BROTHER, THIS IS A WEIRD-LOOKING PLACE / AH, THERE'S THE WATER
I KNEELED DOWN TO DRINK AND SAW HIS REFLECTION IN THE WATER
I LIVE HERE, AND YOU ARE TRESPASSING ON MY PROPERTY / GET OUT QUICKLY, OR I WILL KILL YOU /
TAKE IT EASY FELLOW / I'LL GET OUT IT WILL BE A PLEASURE, I ASSURE YOU /
THERE WAS SOMETHING STRANGE AND UNWHOLESOME ABOUT THIS HERMIT THAT MADE TINY FINGERS OF ICE TRAVEL UP AND DOWN MY SPINE / I DIDN'T NEED ANY INVITATION TO LEAVE
THOSE SILKY THREADS WHERE DID THEY COME FROM ?
THAT'S NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS / GET OUT /
IT IS MY BUSINESS, MISTER VERY MUCH SO
THOSE TRACKS WERE POINTING RIGHT TOWARD THIS CAVE WHEN THEY DISAPPEARED AND THAT SILKY THREAD STUFF THAT'S ON YOU WAS FOUND IN THE FILING ROOM AT THE PROJECT / YOU STOLE THOSE PLANS, MISTER
LET ME GO / I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT /

SO YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT, HUH? THESE ARE THE PLANS... THE LAST ONES YOU STOLE...! HOW DID YOU GET INTO THE PROJECT AND THAT ROOM? TALK!
YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND! I'M NOT LIKE OTHER MEN... I'M DIFFERENT! THAT'S WHY I LIVE HERE IN THIS CAVE!

OTHER MEN WOULD DESTROY ME IF THEY KNEW MY SECRET! MY ONLY CHANCE IS TO BECOME MORE POWERFUL THAN THEY TO MAKE THEM AFRAID OF ME. TO RULE THEM! THAT'S WHY I STOLE THE PLANS! I CAN RULE THE WORLD IF I CONTROL THE "H" RAY...

I WAS SO AMAZED LISTENING TO THIS CRACKPOT RAVE THAT I GUESS I RELAXED FOR A MOMENT AND IN THAT MOMENT HE BROKE FREE

I WRENCHED AND TORE AT THE SILKEN THREADS THAT WERE AS STRONG AS STEEL CABLES! I GOT MY RIGHT ARM FREE...

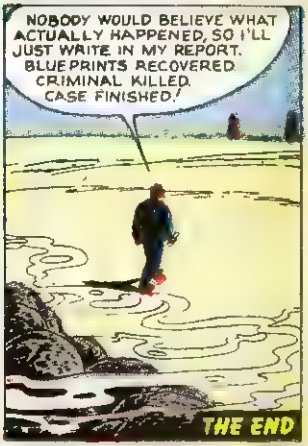
THE MONSTROUS THING THUDDED TO THE FLOOR! I SHOT AGAIN

I PUSHED ASIDE THE WEB TO FOLLOW IT! THERE WAS A TRAIL OF BLOOD ON THE FLOOR OF THE CAVE

SUDDENLY, THE CAVE SEEMED TO MOVE / DUST SIFTED DOWN AND THE WALLS GROANED AND CRACKED..

I RAN LIKE A MADMAN, AND AS I HIT THE FRESH, SWEET AIR OF THE OUTSIDE AGAIN, I HEARD THE CAVES COLLAPSE BEHIND ME

JUST MADE IT! WHAT A NIGHTMARE! IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE THAT IT ACTUALLY HAPPENED / BUT THE BLOOD WAS THERE, AND ONLY A SPIDER COULD'VE GOTTEN INTO THE PROJECT AND INTO THAT FILE ROOM BESIDES I SAW THE THREADS OF THE WEB THERE...


NOBODY WOULD BELIEVE WHAT ACTUALLY HAPPENED, SO I'LL JUST WRITE IN MY REPORT. BLUEPRINTS RECOVERED. CRIMINAL KILLED. CASE FINISHED!
THE END

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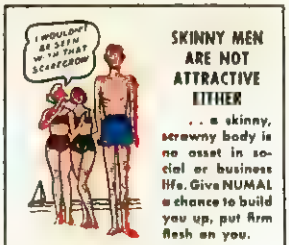

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THE WEAPON

COMPANY Q, who had been lying in belly-trenches for an hour, heard the signal to advance.

Up ahead the North Koreans south of the key village of Pongwan started shouting insults from their positions, as they saw the khaki-clad line of UN regulars appear out of the ground and come on.

They shouted insults for about one minute.

Then the UN mortar positions began lobbing shells.

Boomboomboomboom!

A section of ex-North Korean real estate just in front of the red earthworks went skyhigh. When it fell back it buried a squad of screaming commies and two machine-guns that had been seriously holding up the UN attempt to take Pongwan.

The commie line began to waver, crack off in pieces and crumble.

In the forefront of the UN charge, private Tony Kalcott was running, his rifle at the ready, as fast as his short legs would carry him. Behind him came his buddy, Dick Fenton, a good deal taller.

"Fire that gun!" Fenton yelled. "You're freezing the trigger!"

A look of indignation appeared on the other's face.

"I am not!" he rejoined. "I'm out of ammo!"

They ran over ground as wavy as a scallop shell. Kalcott abruptly disappeared down a short gulley. He reappeared just as Fenton went down the gulley

Fenton wasn't stopping to aim and fire. Ahead of him two North Korean soldiers topping their earthworks threw up their arms and went down, the guns sliding to the bottom of the slope.

As they reached the bottom, Fenton bent and snatched up an enemy rifle. He flung it to Tony Kalcott.

"Catch!" he yelled.

Kalcott grinned, slung his empty gun over his shoulder and caught the enemy weapon like a tossed stick. Holding it at his side, he began the short ascent.

The UN Company went up the slope like an express train. Simultaneously their mortar positions fell silent, as, from far back in the UN lines observers signaled cease-fire. Another bombardment would just wipe out their own troops, they knew.

Before Company Q the North Koreans fell back in squads and more squads. At the top of the earthworks Tony Kalcott paused, raised the rifle to his shoulder, took aim and pressed the trigger.

Nothing happened.

A short body hurtled out of a hole on the other side of the earthwork and flung itself at him. With lightning speed Kalcott reversed the weapon, brought it down on the head of the commie soldier.

Crack!

Kalcott gave a grunt of satisfaction as the red went down like a pole axed bull.

Fenton glared at his buddy in disapproval.

"That ain't the way to handle a gun!" he growled.

"What's the difference?" Kalcott replied gaily, trotting ahead. "Anything's a weapon, provided you use it the right time in the right place!"

Fenton was about to reply when the enemy suddenly stiffened. Up ahead they saw North Koreans throwing themselves down on the rocky soil, taking refuge behind trees and anything else handy. Then a heavy curtain of fire went up.

A bugle called halt, from far behind in the UN lines.

Kalcott and Fenton, along with the rest of Company Q fell flat on their faces. The instant he hit ground, Fenton got his rifle into firing position and began pumping bullets, while Kalcott just lay there and chewed his nails.

In front of them the enemy fire slackened. It was, temporarily, a stalemate, until either one or the other side, could bring up some heavy, movable stuff and start pounding away.

Kalcott and Fenton pressed themselves into the ground. The ground on which they'd happened to fall was a slight dip. Only the very top of their helmets could possibly have been visible—and only from the far right. Glancing off to their right they saw no suspicious movements of rifle barrels or of anything else.

Kalcott busily examined the enemy weapon. He saw the markings on it and grunted.

"Russian," he grunted.

"Russian?" Fenton asked, surprised. "It doesn't look like any Soviet rifle I ever . . ."

"Czarist Russian," Kalcott

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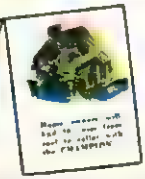

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said. "See the crown markings and the funny Russian alphabet and the date, 1907?" He paused. "It's so old, it busted when I pulled the trigger. That's why it wouldn't fire."

Fenton shook his head.

"It's just an old piece of junk," he said deprecatingly. "A gun's got to fire to be any use."

"I dunno," Kalcott said, smiling. He patted the stock of the gun. "Turned round the other way she works all right. The age of a weapon don't mean everything. We lose this war, everybody's gonna be using clubs, anyway." He fondly glanced at his own rifle, slung over-shoulder by its straps. "Of course, I wouldn't use a good gun like this for a club unless I had to . . ."

A command to spread out was barked down the line.

Kalcott and Fenton began wriggling to the right. In the distance loomed a vast clump of trees.

"There may be commies in that woods," Fenton said.

Kalcott shook his head.

"There aren't enough trees in it," he said. "It's big enough to hide something big in, but not small objects like men."

They stopped suddenly, hearing a noise. They lay still and heard the noise again.

"A couple of commie soldiers gettin' round our rear," Fenton whispered. "And we don't dare go back! They're probably infiltrating our lines all along, too!"

Rifles cracked sporadically.

"I wish they'd lob a few mortar shells over at the reds!" Fenton said.

"Maybe they can't," Kalcott said hoarsely. "Both sides are too closely packed in. Guess that's why they told us to scatter. They want us to disengage to some extent . . ."

Fenton froze. Then his rifle came down on the palm of his free hand with a slap. He shoved in a new clip of bullets and started shooting.

Bullets came back the return way.

"Over here!" Kalcott grunted, slipping sidewise toward the trees. "We go far enough we can get round *them!*"

They bellyslogged over the cold ground.

Again Fenton froze.

It was the rumble that froze him. The rumble of the big, lone commie tank that came up from the village of Pongwan a few thousand yards behind the most advanced of the North Korean lines and began waddling through the pine tree forest like a lumbering turtle.

It slewed this way and that, avoiding trees, its low silhouette sometimes disappearing behind a line of pines. Then

it paused for a moment, its turret swinging round.

"If that thing gets down this far, it'll wipe out Company Q," Fenton said hoarsely. "All the enemy has to do is cluster round it and advance. Our mortars still won't dare drop shells. It'd be right in the middle of our own men!" He glanced down at his powerful, modern rifle, then at Kalcott's powerful, empty modern rifle and shrugged. "There's nothing we can stop it with!"

Kalcott took a tighter grip on the old Czarist Russian gun. He looked up at the tank, saw its turret gun suddenly buck. Back in the further UN lines a shell exploded. Then the tank began to move, slowly at first, then faster and faster.

Kalcott tugged at a grenade attached to his belt.

"You can't destroy a tank with a grenade!" Fenton yelled. But Kalcott was already on his way. Eyes fixed on the tank's course, he headed straight for a hundred-foot pine, ripped out the grenade pin and tossed the bomb into a hole near the base of the tree. Then he leaped into a shallow ditch as the grenade went off, with a loud, shattering crack.

Fenton, from a distance, stared in astonishment, saw the tree, its base blown clear through, begin to fall. He also saw that the rough blast had slightly shifted its direction of fall. If it continued on its present path downward, the tank would escape.

Kalcott popped out of the ditch, ran up to the tree and shoved the metal barrel of the old Russian gun into a slit in the shattered base. The tree groaned, its great weight turned microscopically aside — for just the right amount of arc!

Then its tremendous, crushing weight came down faster.

The tank's brakes smoked and shrieked as it tried to stop, too late. Directly onto the turret the great pine smashed, crumpling the gun and crushing one of the treads. The tank stopped jerkily.

Kalcott grinned, hearing the crew, trapped inside, vainly trying to break their way out. He knew it was going to take a few hours to get them out — until the UN forces had occupied Pongwan. He waved as Fenton came running up, eyes popping.

"I told you anything's a weapon, no matter how old it is, provided you use it in the right time and the right place." Kalcott glanced admiringly at the giant pine. "She must have waited a hundred years to turn into a sky-bat!"

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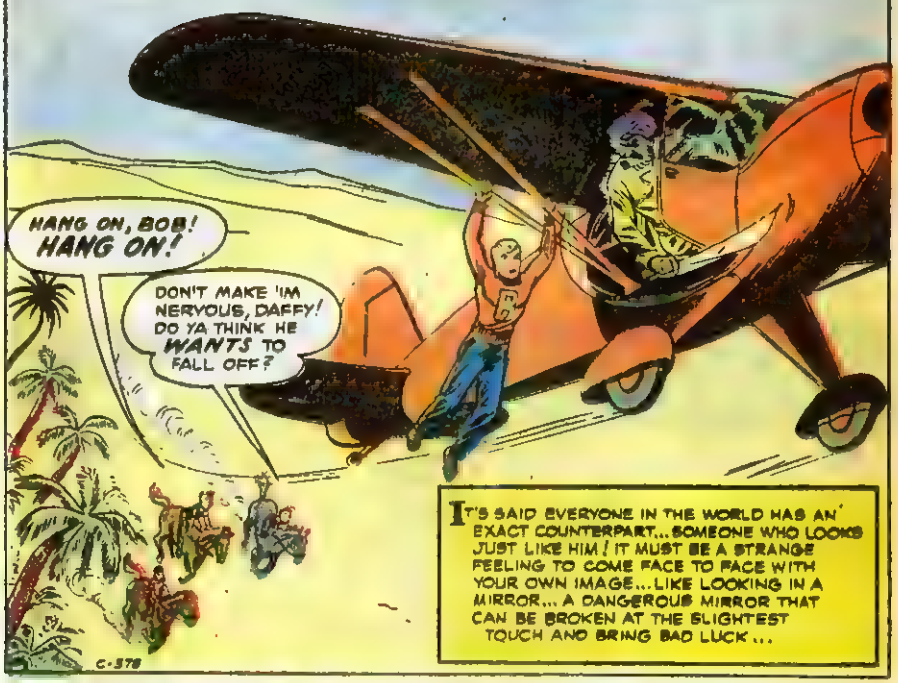
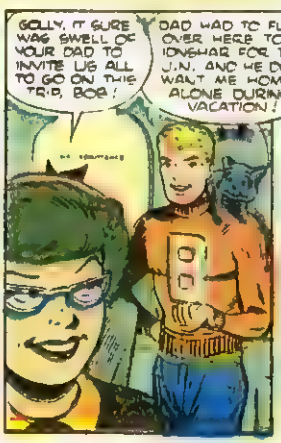
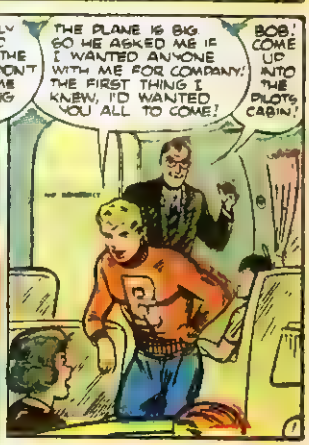
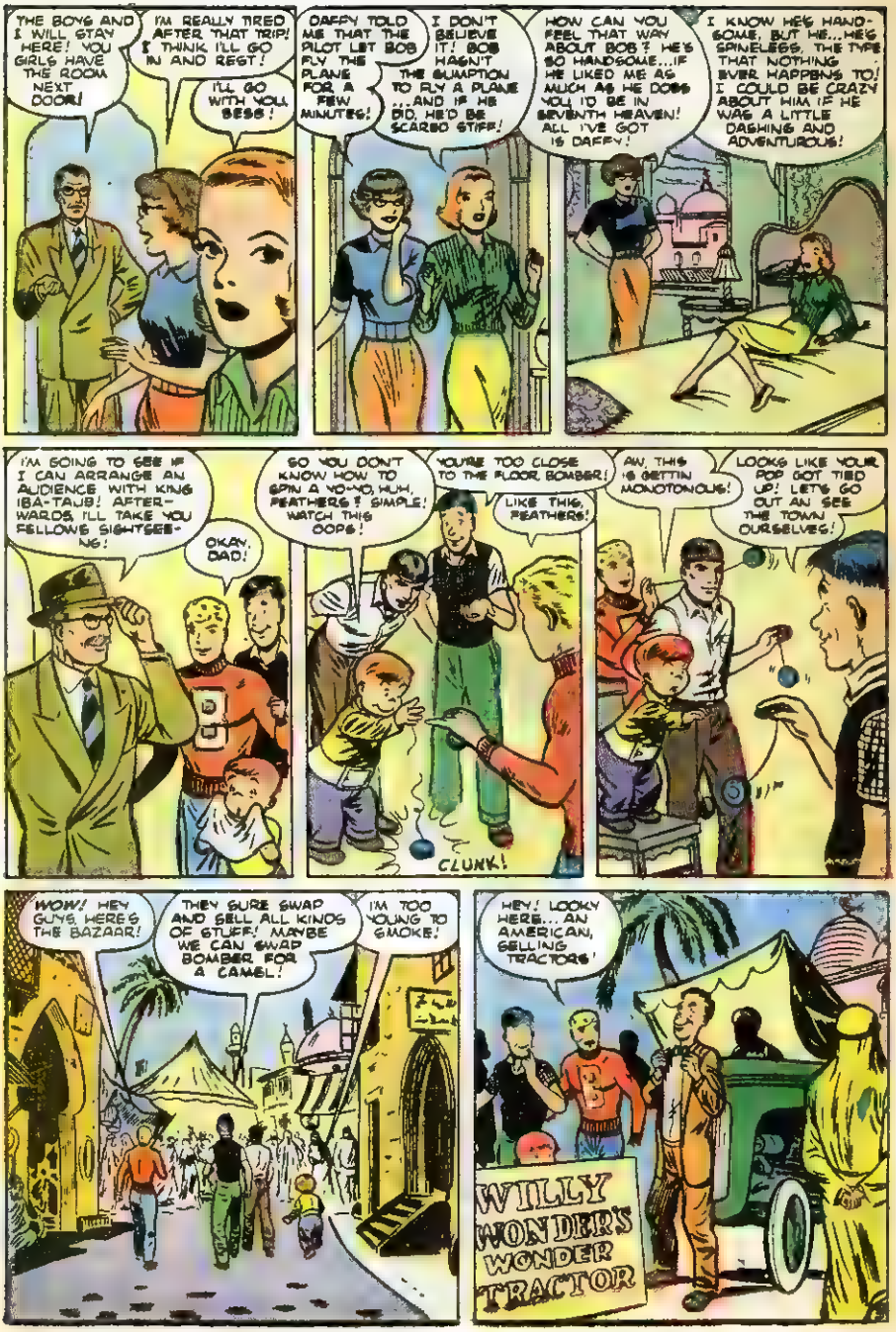


IT'S SAID EVERYONE IN THE WORLD HAS AN EXACT COUNTERPART... SOMEONE WHO LOOKS JUST LIKE HIM! IT MUST BE A STRANGE FEELING TO COME FACE TO FACE WITH YOUR OWN IMAGE... LIKE LOOKING IN A MIRROR... A DANGEROUS MIRROR THAT CAN BE BROKEN AT THE SLIGHTEST TOUCH AND BRING BAD LUCK...


GOLLY, IT SURE WAS SWELL OF YOUR DAD TO INVITE US ALL TO GO ON THIS TRIP, BOB!
DAD HAD TO FLY OVER HERE TO IDNEHAR FOR THE U.N. AND HE DON'T WANT ME HOME ALONE DURING VACATION!


THE PLANE IS BIG SO HE ASKED ME IF I WANTED ANYONE WITH ME FOR COMPANY! THE FIRST THING I KNEW, I'D WANTED YOU ALL TO COME!
BOB! COME UP INTO THE PILOT'S CABIN!

YOUR DAD TELLS ME YOU'VE HAD FLYING INSTRUCTIONS AND HAVE ALREADY SOLOED!
I'LL GO BACK AND TALK TO THE TROUBLE-SHOOTERS, AND CAROL AND BESS.
HERE! TAKE OVER A FEW MINUTES WHILE I STRETCH!
GEE, I'VE NEVER FLOWN A PLANE THIS BIG!
NICE GOING! WE'LL SIGHT IDNSHAR IN A FEW MINUTES SO I'LL TAKE OVER AGAIN!
I'D NEVER HEARD OF IDNSHAR BEFORE DAD TOLD ME WE WERE GOING THERE! IS IT A BIG PLACE?
IT'S A SMALL KINGDOM IN THE DESERT! FROM WHAT I HEAR, THERE'S BEEN TROUBLE BREWING THERE SINCE THE OLD KING DIED!
GUESS THAT'S WHY DAD'S HEADED THERE... TO SMOOTH THINGS OUT.
WHAT KIND OF TROUBLE IS IT?
WELL, THE KING WAS MARRIED TO AN ENGLISH GIRL WHO DIED WHEN THEIR SON WAS BORN! THEY SAY THAT THE YOUNGSTER LOOKS LIKE AN ENGLISH BOY INSTEAD OF AN ARAB AND BECAUSE OF THAT THE K.NG'S UNCLE, COLONEL FAROUN IS TRYING TO GET THE BOY DETHRONED AND TAKE OVER HIMSELF!
THAT MUST BE IDNSHAR AHEAD!
THAT'S IT! I'LL TAKE OVER NOW...YOU DID A SWELL JOB. COULDN'T HAVE HANDLED THE OLD CRATE BETTER MYSELF!
BUCKLE YOUR BELTS. WE'RE COMING IN FOR A LANDING!
'VE RESERVATIONS FOR ALL OF US AT THE ONLY HOTEL IN IDNSHAR! WE'LL GO THERE AS SOON AS WE LAND.
BOY! THIS LOOKS LIKE SOMETHING FROM THE ARABIAN NIGHTS.
ONLY THIS HAPPENS TO BE AN ARABIAN DAY!
JGH!


THE BOYS AND I WILL STAY HERE! YOU GIRLS HAVE THE ROOM NEXT DOOR!
I'M REALLY TIRED AFTER THAT TRIP! I THINK I'LL GO IN AND REST!
I'LL GO WITH YOU, BESS!
DAFFY TOLD ME THAT THE PILOT LET BOB FLY THE PLANE FOR A FEW MINUTES!
I DON'T BELIEVE IT! BOB WASN'T THE SUMPTION TO FLY A PLANE AND IF HE DID, HE'D BE SCARED STIFF!
HOW CAN YOU FEEL THAT WAY ABOUT BOB? HE'S SO HANDSOME...IF HE LIKED ME AS MUCH AS HE DOES YOU, I'D BE IN SEVENTH HEAVEN! ALL I'VE GOT IS DAFFY!
I KNOW HE'S HANDSOME, BUT HE...HE'S SPINELESS, THE TYPE THAT NOTHING EVER HAPPENS TO! I COULD BE CRAZY ABOUT HIM IF HE WAS A LITTLE DASHING AND ADVENTUROUS!
I'M GOING TO SEE IF I CAN ARRANGE AN AUDIENCE WITH KING IBA-TAUB! AFTERWARDS, I'LL TAKE YOU FELLOWS SIGHTSEEING!
OKAY, DAD!
SO YOU DON'T KNOW HOW TO SPIN A YO-YO, HUH, FEATHERS? SIMPLE! WATCH THIS OOPS!
YOU'RE TOO CLOSE TO THE FLOOR, BOMBER!
LIKE THIS, FEATHERS!
CLUNK!
AW, THIS IS GETTIN' MONOTONOUS!
LOOKS LIKE YOUR POP GOT TIED UP! LET'S GO OUT AN' SEE THE TOWN OURSELVES!
WOW! HEY GUYS, HERE'S THE BAZAAR!
THEY SURE SWAP AND SELL ALL KINDS OF STUFF! MAYBE WE CAN SWAP BOMBER FOR A CAMEL!
I'M TOO YOUNG TO SMOKE!
HEY! LOOKY HERE... AN AMERICAN, SELLING TRACTORS!
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WELL JUMPIN' FROG-FLEAS IF IT AIN'T AMERICANS! WHAT ARE YOU FELLERS DOIN' HERE AT THE LONG END OF NOWHERE?
WE CAME OVER WITH MY DAD! I'M BOB BRANT, AND THESE ARE MY FRIENDS, THE TROUBLE-SHOOTERS!
YOU'RE A SIGHT FOR SORE EYES! AIN'T SEEN A SOUL WHO DON'T WEAR A BATHROBE FOR TWO MONTHS!... SINCE M' COMPANY WENT OUTTA BUSINESS AN' STRANDED ME HERE! AIN'T BEEN ANYBODY INTERESTED IN BUYIN' A TRACTOR, SO'S I COULD GET THE FARE HOME. 'CEPTIN' THIS YOUNG FELLER, HERE.
JUMPIN' FISH-FLEAS! LIKE YOU TWO FELLERS WERE LOOKIN IN A MIRROR!
IT IS UNCANNY, THIS LIKENESS!
?
PUT THIS ON AND THERE WILL BE NO DIFFERENCE BETWEEN US!
GOSH! I'M GETTIN A LITTLE MIXED UP!
DANGER, ON KING! WE MUST FLY BACK TO THE PALACE!
COLONEL FAROUN'S JACKALS SEEK YOU HERE WITH SHARPENED DAGGERS! MAKE HASTE, MASTER!
DID YOU HEAR WHAT THEY CALLED HIM? KING! HE MUST BE IBA TAUB, THE YOUNG KING OF IONSHAR!
SOUNDS LIKE DOUBLE TALK TO ME!
ALLAH, BE MERCIFUL! IT IS FAROUN'S MURDERERS!
JUMPIN' FILLY-FLEAS! LOOK OUT FOR THOSE ARABIAN COWBOYS!
OOHH!
OH GOLLY! THEY'RE GRABBING BOB!
WHAM!
THEY'VE KIDNAPED HIM! COME ON!
HEY!
COME BACK!

WE HAVE TAKEN HIM, COLONEL FAROUK!
BY ALLAH, THIS IS MY DAY OF TRIUMPH! YOU WITH YOUR WESTERN LOOK, AND YOUR ALLEGIANCE TO THE DEMOCRACIES! AH! BY TOMORROW'S DAWN, I, FAROUK WILL BE KING OF DUSHAR!
SHALL I REMOVE HIS HEAD, MY MASTER?
NAY! THAT DEATH BE TOO QUICK! THROW HIM IN THE DUNGEON THAT SHRINKS, SO THAT HE MAY DIE IN AGONY. THEN WE ATTACK! WITH THE KING DEAD, HIS FAITHFUL PALACE GUARD WILL WILT BEFORE OUR FERCENESS, AND THE THRONE WILL BE MINE!
BIND HIM WELL, SO HE CANNOT MOVE AS HE WATCHES HIS DOOM COME UPON HIM!
HEY, WAIT A MINUTE! YOU'VE GOT THE WRONG BOY!
LISTEN TO ME! YOU CAN'T DO THIS
CLANG
JEEPERS! THE FLOOR IS MOVING.. UPWARD, TOWARD THE CEILING!
THIS IS WHAT THEY MEAN BY "THE DUNGEON THAT SHRINKS": THE FLOOR KEEPS RISING TILL IT MEETS THE CEILING, AND I'LL BE IN BETWEEN.. SQUASHED LIKE A FLY!
I CAN'T GET LOOSE .. THEY DID TOO GOOD A JOB OF TYING ME UP! EVEN IF I COULD GET FREE, THERE'S NO WAY OUT OF THIS DUNGEON!
BOB! IT'S US! WE FOLLOWED THOSE CHARACTERS! THEY ALL RODE OUT JUST NOW! JEEPERS! THE FLOOR IS GOING UP!
I BELIEVE I HAVE ARRIVED AT A SOLUTION! WILLY HAS COME WITH US AND HAS HIS TRACTOR. WE WILL ATTACH ROPES TO THE TRACTOR AND TO THE BARS OF THIS APERTURE AND REMOVE THEM!
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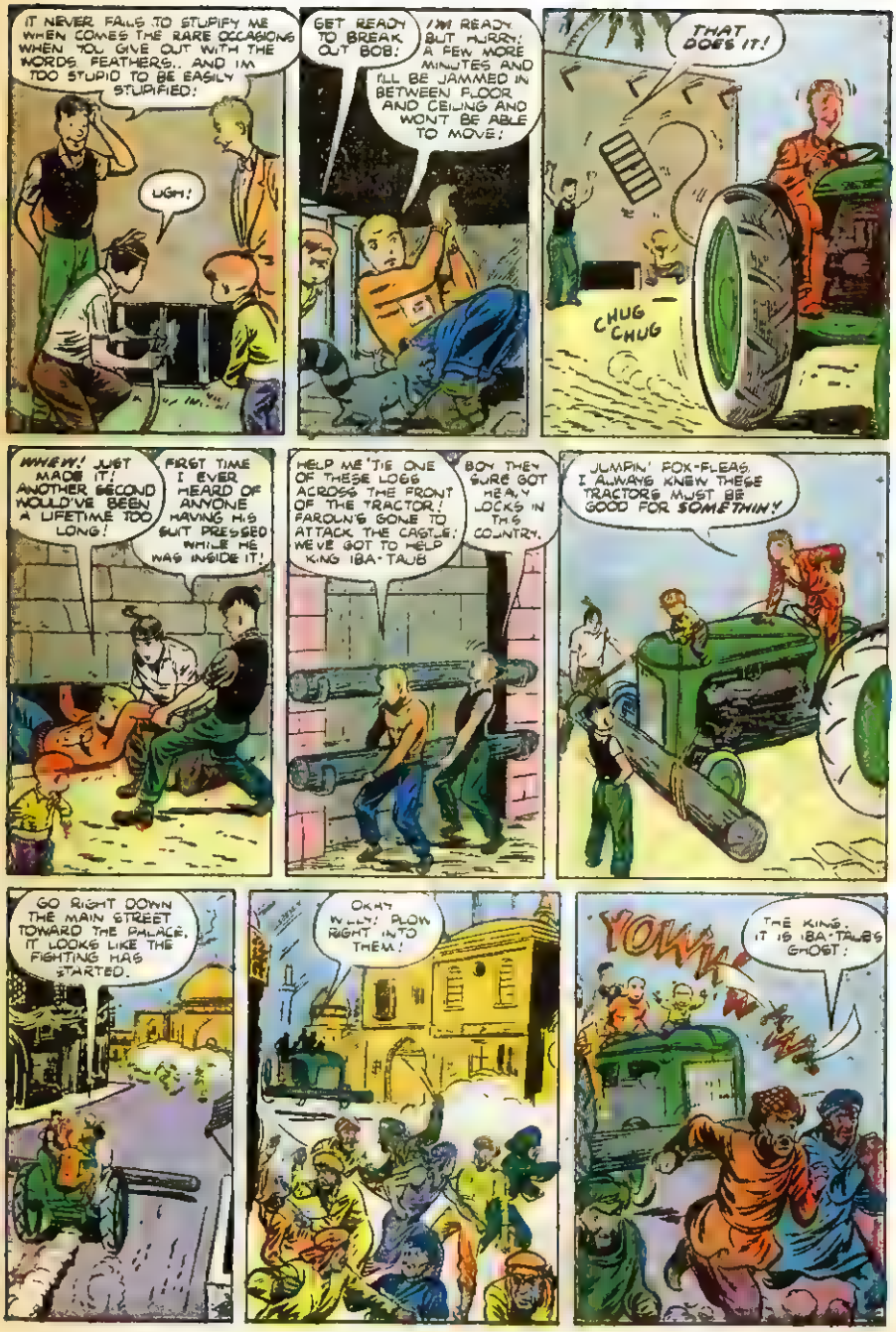
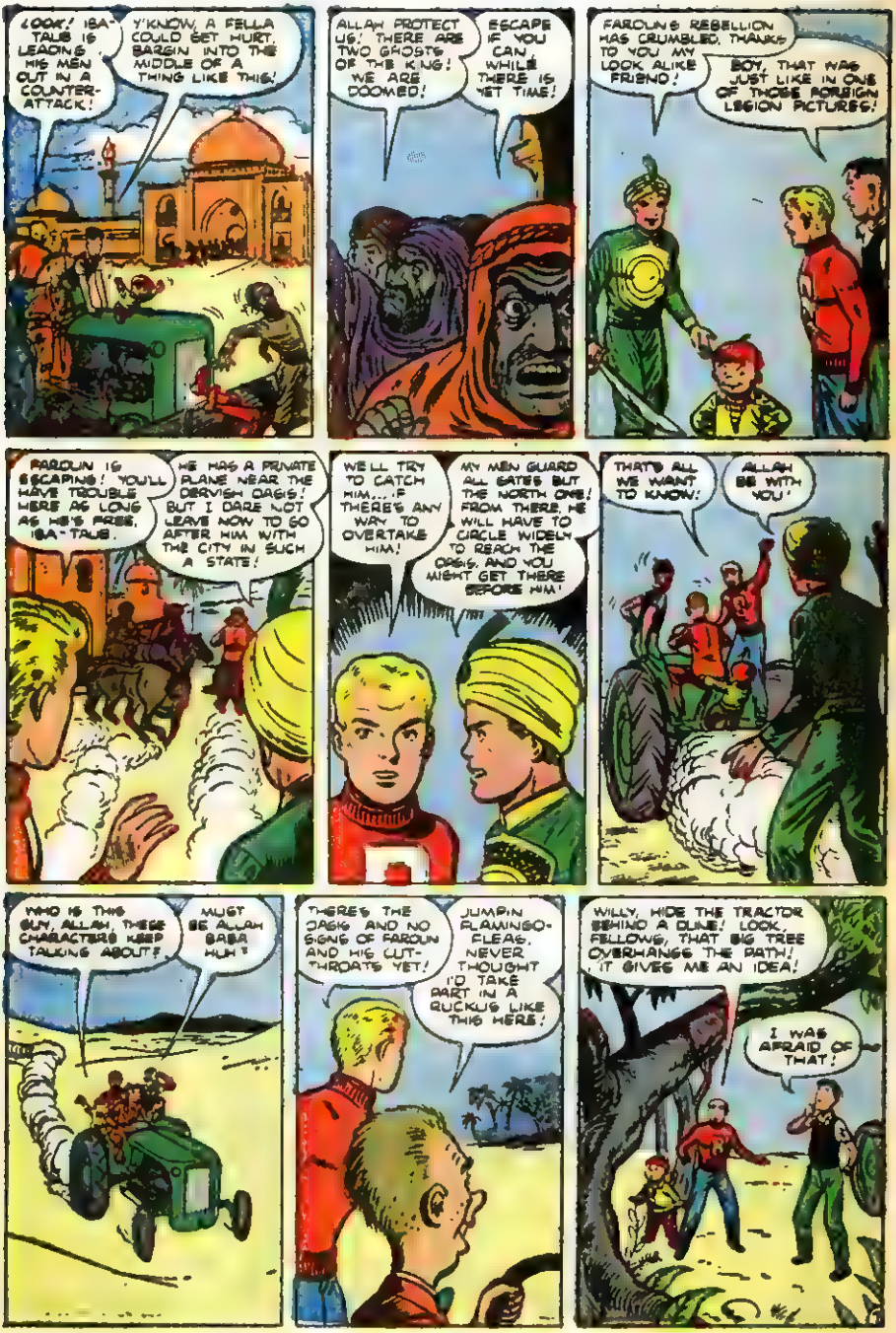
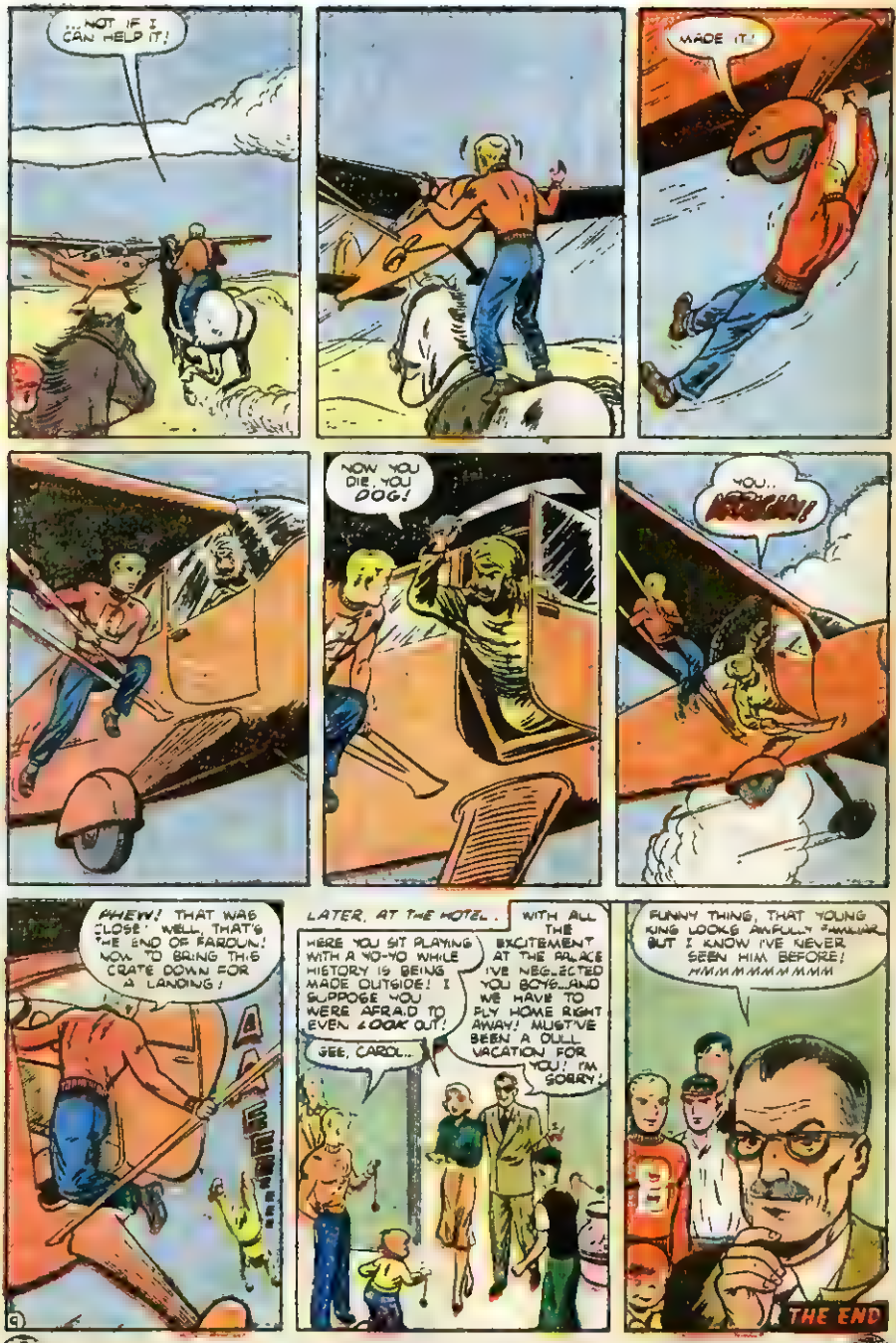

IT NEVER FAILS TO STUPIFY ME WHEN COMES THE RARE OCCASIONS WHEN YOU GIVE OUT WITH THE WORDS FEATHERS.. AND IM TOO STUPID TO BE EASILY STUPIFIED!
UGH!
GET READY TO BREAK OUT BOB!
I'M READY BUT HURRY! A FEW MORE MINUTES AND I'LL BE JAMMED IN BETWEEN FLOOR AND CEILING AND WONT BE ABLE TO MOVE!
THAT DOES IT!
CHUG CHUG
WHEW! JUST MADE IT! ANOTHER SECOND WOULD'VE BEEN A LIFETIME TOO LONG!
FIRST TIME I EVER HEARD OF ANYONE HAVING HIS SUIT PRESSED WHILE HE WAS INSIDE IT!
HELP ME 'TIE ONE OF THESE LOGS ACROSS THE FRONT OF THE TRACTOR! FAROUN'S GONE TO ATTACK THE CASTLE! WE'VE GOT TO HELP KING IBA-TAUB
BOY THEY SURE GOT HEAVY LOCKS IN THIS COUNTRY.
JUMPIN' FOX-FLEAS. I ALWAYS KNEW THESE TRACTORS MUST BE GOOD FOR SOMETHIN'!
GO RIGHT DOWN THE MAIN STREET TOWARD THE PALACE. IT LOOKS LIKE THE FIGHTING HAS STARTED.
OKAY WILLY! PLOW RIGHT INTO THEM!
YOWW
THE KING. IT IS IBA-TAUB'S GHOST!


LOOK! IBA-TAUB IS LEADING HIS MEN OUT IN A COUNTER-ATTACK!
Y'KNOW, A FELLA COULD GET HURT, BARGIN INTO THE MIDDLE OF A THING LIKE THIS!
ALLAH PROTECT US! THERE ARE TWO GHOSTS OF THE KING! WE ARE DOOMED!
ESCAPE IF YOU CAN, WHILE THERE IS YET TIME!
FAROUN'S REBELLION HAS CRUMBLED, THANKS TO YOU MY LOOK ALIKE FRIEND!
BOY, THAT WAS JUST LIKE IN ONE OF THOSE FOREIGN LEGION PICTURES!
FAROUN IS ESCAPING! YOU'LL HAVE TROUBLE HERE AS LONG AS HE'S FREE, IBA-TAUB.
HE HAS A PRIVATE PLANE NEAR THE DERVISH OASIS! BUT I DARE NOT LEAVE NOW TO GO AFTER HIM WITH THE CITY IN SUCH A STATE!
WE'LL TRY TO CATCH HIM...IF THERE'S ANY WAY TO OVERTAKE HIM!
MY MEN GUARD ALL GATES BUT THE NORTH ONE! FROM THERE, HE WILL HAVE TO CIRCLE WIDELY TO REACH THE OASIS, AND YOU MIGHT GET THERE BEFORE HIM!
THAT'S ALL WE WANT TO KNOW!
ALLAH BE WITH YOU!
WHO IS THIS GUY, ALLAH, THESE CHARACTERS KEEP TALKING ABOUT?
MUST BE ALLAH BABA HUH?
THERE'S THE OASIS AND NO SIGNS OF FAROUN AND HIS CUT-THROATS YET!
JUMPIN FLAMINGO-FLEAS, NEVER THOUGHT I'D TAKE PART IN A RUCKUS LIKE THIS HERE!
WILLY, HIDE THE TRACTOR BEHIND A DUNE! LOOK, FELLOWS, THAT BIG TREE OVERHANGS THE PATH! IT GIVES ME AN IDEA!
I WAS AFRAID OF THAT!

HERE COMES FAROUN AND HIS MEN. QUICK GET OUT ON THE LIMB OF THIS TREE!
NOW HE'S GONNA MAKE MONKEYS OUT OF US!
YOU'VE GOT A HEAD-START!
YOU WILL HIDE IN THE DESERT! I WILL FLY IN MY PLANE AND RECRUIT OTHERS OF THE DESERT TRIBESMEN
I WILL RETURN AND THIS TIME I WILL NOT FAIL.
...ISA-TAUB SHALL DIE AND I SHALL BE KING!
I'LL HAVE DAD TAKE WILLY ON THE PLANE WITH US, BACK TO THE STATES!
...THEN NO LONGER SHALL WE PAY HOMAGE TO THE DEMOCRACIES!
INSTEAD WE SHALL BECOME PARTNERS OF THE SOVIETS, AND AID THEM TO CONQUER THE WORLD!
CLUNK
CLUNK
CLUNK
WHAT! BY ALLAH!
GIVE YOURSELF UP, FAROUN! YOU CAN'T GET AWAY!
HA! YOU SHALL NEVER TAKE ME YOU BEARDLESS PUPPIES!
DUCK FELLOWS!
CRACK!
CRACK!
CRACK!
HE'S GOING TO GET AWAY.


...NOT IF I CAN HELP IT!
MADE IT!
NOW YOU DIE, YOU DOG!
YOU...
AAUGGH!
PHEW! THAT WAS CLOSE! WELL, THAT'S THE END OF FARQUN! NOW TO BRING THIS CRATE DOWN FOR A LANDING!
AAEEEE...
LATER, AT THE HOTEL..
HERE YOU SIT PLAYING WITH A YO-YO WHILE HISTORY IS BEING MADE OUTSIDE! I S'POSE YOU WERE AFRAID TO EVEN LOOK OUT!
WITH ALL THE EXCITEMENT AT THE PALACE I'VE NEGLECTED YOU BOYS...AND WE HAVE TO FLY HOME RIGHT AWAY! MUST'VE BEEN A DULL VACATION FOR YOU! I'M SORRY!
SEE, CAROL..
FUNNY THING, THAT YOUNG KING LOOKS AWFULLY FAMILIAR BUT I KNOW I'VE NEVER SEEN HIM BEFORE! MMMMMMMMMM
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